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In re Application of: Mieszelewicz, et al. **Customer Code: 56851**

Serial No.: 10/574811 Group Art Unit: 3679

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For: METHOD OF CORROSION PROTECTION AT A WELDED PIPE JOINT AND
RESULTING JOINT

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Sir:

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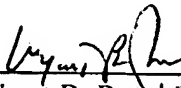
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

Respectfully submitted,



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